

Democrats Open State Convention

Three thousand delegates and alternates representing every California assembly district will convene in Fresno this weekend for the California Democratic Council endorsing convention. The convention was described by the organization's newly elected president, Los Angeles attorney Joseph L. Wyatt, Jr. as "free-wheeling and wide open".

"These delegates," Wyatt said, "are amateur politicians working for the love of their party. No one will try to dictate their choice of candidates and no one could succeed if he made the attempt."

"Everyone is united behind Attorney General Brown for Governor, but there is controversy in the Senatorial race, with Congressman Clair Engle, Dr. Peter Odegaard of the University of California and Keith Hahn, Los Angeles County Supervisor, all commanding strong support."

Earlier in the week Wyatt announced that Governor G. Mennen Williams of Michigan will be convention "keynoter," and will fly in from Lansing where he is in the midst of a legislative session, to be in California for one day only.

Looking at the other statewide offices for which the California Democratic Council will endorse candidates, Wyatt said, "There will be competition for every spot except the governorship, the office of controller, being sought by Alan Cranston, former CDC president and apparently the attorney generalship. Only Superior Court Judge Stanley Mosk of Los Angeles announced for the CDC endorsement so far but it seems certain he will be opposed by State Senator Robert I. McCarthy of San Francisco who has announced but will not seek CDC endorsement."

All other announced candidates Wyatt pointed out are actively seeking CDC endorsement and have stated they will not run without it.

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The CDC is the only statewide Democratic Party organization which endorses candidates in statewide elections and its purpose is to give working Democrats a forum they can decide whether they want to unite behind one Democrat in the primary.

Four southern Californians are making a bid for delegate support in the Treasurer's race, Wyatt said. They include Jerry Chapman, City Treasurer of Compton, Claude Young, attorney from Santa Ana, Sander Johnson, Los Angeles attorney, and Bert A. Betts, San Diego accountant.

Two more Southern Californians have announced they will seek endorsement for Secretary of state—Henry Lopez, a Los Angeles attorney, and John A. Ford, member of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors for 24 years and former Democratic National Committeeman.

Wyatt also pointed to the race for Lieutenant-Governor where Tom Carrell, San Fernando Valley automobile dealer and a treasurer of the Democratic State Central Committee, and Glenn Anderson, former State Assemblyman, former mayor of Hawthorne, past Democratic State Chairman and past CDC vice-president, are vying for convention approval.

OPENS FRIDAY NIGHT
The convention will convene at 9 p.m. Friday at the Fresno auditorium with the keynote speech by Governor Williams. During the first session there will be nominations for endorsement for Governor, U. S. Senator and Controller. Balloting for these will take place Saturday. Saturday night the convention will endorse for Lieutenant-Governor and Attorney General. All other endorsements will take place on Sunday.

Roy Greenaway, CDC Vice-President from Fresno, is Convention Manager. Dr. Roy Sanderson of Redondo Beach has been named by Wyatt to be Convention Sergeant-at-Arms.

Only four CDC committees are scheduled to meet in Fresno, Wyatt said. These are Credentials, Frank Rose of San Mateo and Tom Carvey of Palos Verdes Estates, co-chairmen; By-Laws, Bernard Selber of Los Angeles and Tim O'Reilly of San Luis Obispo, co-chairmen; Resolutions, Jefferson Beaver of San Francisco and Jack Spitzer of Los Angeles, co-chairmen; Rules, John Weidman, Placerville, and Clifford Dean, Banning, co-chairmen.

Joe Wyatt, newly-elected president of California Democratic Council, announced today that Dr. Roy R. C. Sanderson, prominent Redondo Beach political and civic leader, has been appointed sergeant-at-arms for the CDC convention in Fresno on January 10.

The duties of Doctor Sanderson and his 200-odd deputies, will be to keep and maintain order on the floor of the convention and in committees; also, to staff sergeant-at-arms booths in the main hotels in Fresno during the three-day convention. Commencing this year, the sergeant will have the additional responsibility of permitting only approved printed literature on candidates and issues to be



NEWLY ELECTED president of the California Democratic Council is Joseph L. Wyatt, Jr., Los Angeles attorney. He succeeds Alan Cranston who resigned in December to campaign for the office of Controller. Wyatt himself is a former secretary of the CDC.

circulated to the delegates on the floor.

This will be the fifth convention in which Sanderson has served in the capacity of sergeant-at-arms including three state conventions and one county convention.

The purpose of this present convention is to make endorsements of the Democratic nominee for each state-wide office, in order not to divide the Democratic strength between several candidates for the same position.

The CDC is composed of members from each state Democratic club which has been duly chartered by the various county central committees. It therefore represents the grass-roots voters whose duty it shall be at the convention, through the three thousand elected delegates and alternates, to approve the best qualified candidates, as endorsement by the convention indicates the support of the Democratic party organization in the state.

RIVIERA CLUB SENDS 12 TO CONVENTION

Six delegates and six alternate delegates will attend the Democratic Party state convention in Fresno from the Hollywood Riviera Democratic club.

Led by President Harold Gus Anastassiou, Connie Anastassiou, Lewis Carreau, Pat Farber, and Robert Jahn, Torrance city councilman. Alternates are: Louella Carreau, Grace Thomasian, Mrs. Robert Jahn, Jennifer Simpson and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore.

Rise In Tax Collections Noted In State

State, local and federal tax collections in California rose nearly a billion dollars over last year's figure to reach an all time high of \$10,028,163,650 for the fiscal year, 1956-57, according to a report from the California State Chamber of Commerce Tax Department.

For the previous fiscal year the total was \$9,110,704,546. Overall total tax collections six years ago, in 1940-41, amounted to \$1,079,999,259.

In the category of federal tax collections, California ranks as second highest in the nation, the report shows. New York State, with total federal tax collections of \$15,095,197,000 ranks first, while California's total federal tax collections were \$6,643,780,000. This compares with the previous year's California total of \$6,008,419,000.

State tax collections amounted to \$1,816,383,650 for last year compared with the previous year's \$1,704,787,186. Local property taxes, based on the State Chamber's estimate of levies by county and city governments and school and special districts, amounted to \$1,568,000,000 as compared with the previous year's \$1,397,498,360.

Increases in school district taxes were disclosed in the report as having amounted to \$118,648,000 in a year's time. The total for 1955-56 was \$542,352,000 as compared with the 1954-55 total of \$661,000,000. Sixteen years ago, in 1940-41, the total school district taxes amounted to only \$104,237,631.

City sales tax accounted for \$112,000,000 of the total, according to the Chamber report, while State sales and Use taxes amounted to \$603,436,933.

Highway Use Fund collections totaled \$422,276,251, including \$291,295,931 Motor Vehicle Fuel Taxes; \$113,046,064 from Motor Vehicle Fees; and \$17,934,256 from Tax on For-Hire Carriers. This compares with the previous year's total of \$398,812,052.

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